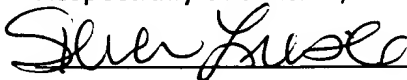


REMARKS

Claims 1-18 were originally filed in this application. Claims 19-33 have herein been added and are fully supported by the specification. These new claims serve to clarify the invention. The title has been amended to also clarify the invention.

Applicant respectfully requests examination of claims 1-33 and submits that these claims are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, a notice of allowance is respectfully requested. In the event a telephone conversation would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may reach the undersigned at 612-607-7508. If any fees are due in connection with the filing of this paper, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees including fees for any extension of time, to Deposit Account No. 50-1901 (Reference #60021-355001).

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the title by replacing it with the following:

**LANGUAGE-DRIVEN INTERFACE FOR ~~SYSTEM, METHOD AND ARTICLE OF~~
~~MANUFACTURE FOR SYNCHRONIZATION IN AN AUTOMATED SCRIPTING~~
TESTING FRAMEWORK**

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add the following new claims 19-33:

19. (New) A method for automated testing using an automation testing tool that emulates user interactions for testing the functionality of a computer system, the method comprising:

receiving a word having a commonly understood meaning;

querying a database for the word, the database containing a plurality of words, each word having associated with it a set of one or more computer instructions which, when executed by the automation testing tool, causes the computer to perform a function that is related to the commonly understood meaning of the word;

retrieving the instruction set corresponding to the word from the database; and

performing the function that is related to the commonly understood meaning of the word using the automated testing tool.

20. (New) The method for automated testing from claim 19, wherein the word is from the English language.

21. (New) The method for automated testing from claim 19, wherein the automation testing tool is software developed by MERCURY INTERACTIVE commonly known as WINRUNNER.

22. (New) The method for automated testing from claim 19, further comprising presenting the instruction set to a user in human-readable form.

23. (New) The method for automated testing from claim 19, wherein the steps of receiving, querying, retrieving and performing are carried out with respect to a plurality of words.

24. (New) A computer program embodied on a computer readable medium for automated testing using an automation testing tool that emulates user interactions for testing the functionality of a computer system, comprising:

a code segment for receiving a word having a commonly understood meaning;

a code segment for querying a database for the word, the database containing a plurality of words, each word having associated with it a set of one or more computer instructions which, when executed by the automation testing tool, causes the computer to perform a function that is related to the commonly understood meaning of the word;

a code segment for retrieving the instruction set corresponding to the word from the database; and

a code segment for performing the function that is related to the commonly understood meaning of the word using the automated testing tool.

25. (New) The computer program from claim 24, wherein the word is from the English language.

26. (New) The computer program from claim 24, wherein the automation testing tool is software developed by MERCURY INTERACTIVE commonly known as WINRUNNER.

27. (New) The computer program from claim 24, further comprising a code segment for presenting the instruction set to a user in human-readable form.

28. (New) The computer program from claim 24, wherein the code segments for receiving, querying, retrieving and performing are executed with respect to a plurality of words.

29. (New) A system for automated testing using an automation testing tool that emulates user interactions for testing the functionality of a computer system, comprising:

logic for receiving a word having a commonly understood meaning;

logic for querying a database for the word, the database containing a plurality of words, each word having associated with it a set of one or more computer instructions which, when executed by the automation testing tool, causes the computer to perform a function that is related to the commonly understood meaning of the word;

logic for retrieving the instruction set corresponding to the word from the database; and

logic for performing the function that is related to the commonly understood meaning of the word using the automated testing tool.

30. (New) The system for automated testing from claim 29, wherein the word is from the English language.

31. (New) The system for automated testing from claim 29, wherein the automation testing tool is software developed by MERCURY INTERACTIVE commonly known as WINRUNNER.

32. (New) The system for automated testing from claim 29, further comprising logic for presenting the instruction set to a user in human-readable form.

33. (New) The system for automated testing from claim 29, wherein the logic for receiving, querying, retrieving and performing is performed with respect to a plurality of words.